**To:** Distribution

From: Bob Hunnicutt, Tower Coordinator, Columbia Telecommunications

A meeting of the Transmission Facility Coordinating Group (TFCG) was held on December 2, 2009. The following people were in attendance:

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**Action Item Meeting Minutes**: Mary Pat Wilson moved the minutes be approved as written. Carlton Gilbert seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

# Action Item Consent Agenda Applications:

- 1. Verizon Wireless application at replace antennas at the 100' level on the Fire Station #31 monopole located at 12100 Darnestown Road in Quince Orchard (Application #200906-14).
- 2. Clearwire application to attach a dish antenna at the 51' level within a bell tower at the Memorial United Methodist Church located at 9226 Colesville Road in Silver Spring (Application #200907-23).
- 3. Clearwire application to attach dish antennas at the 223' level atop a 225' high office building located at 7500 Old Georgetown Road in Bethesda (Application #200907-30).
- 4. Clearwire application to attach antennas at the 177' level atop a 17-story Parkside Plaza apartment building located at 9039 Sligo Creek Parkway in Silver Spring (Application #200908-39).
- 5. Clearwire application to attach antennas at the 206' level atop a 16-story office building located at 9000 Rockville Pike in Bethesda (Application #200908-42).

- 6. Clearwire application to attach antennas at the 54' level atop the 45' high Wildwood Medical Center building located at 10401 Old Georgetown Road in Bethesda (Application #200910-01).
- 7. Clearwire application to attach antennas at the 57' on a church bell tower at St. Johns Episcopal School located at 3427 Olney-Laytonsville Road in Olney (Application #200910-05).
- 8. Clearwire application to attach antennas at the 90' level atop the Montgomery General Hospital located at 18101 Prince Philip Drive in Olney (Application #200910-07).
- 9. Clearwire application to attach antennas at the 130' level on a 125' high AT&T lattice tower located at 12419 Middlebrook Road in Germantown. (Application # 200910-09)
- 10. Clearwire application to attach antennas at the 155' level atop the 138' high Crowne Plaza building located at 8777 Georgia Avenue in Silver Spring (Application #200912-02).
- 11. T-Mobile application to install a new equipment cabinet atop the Parkside Plaza Condo building located at 9039 Sligo Creek Parkway in Silver Spring (Application #200912-05).
- 12. Clearwire application to attach antennas at the 167' to 172' levels on the penthouse walls of a 17-story Westlake Towers apartment building located at 7420 Westlake Terrace in Bethesda (Application #200912-06).
- 13. Clearwire application to attach antennas at the 59' level on the 53' Leafy House building located at 10000 Brunswick Avenue in Silver Spring (Application #200912-07).
- 14. Clearwire application to attach antennas at the 132' level on a 13-story high Park Sutton Condo building located at 1900 Lyttonsville Road in Silver Spring (Application #200912-09).
- 15. T-Mobile application to add antennas at the 67' level of a steeple on the Luther Rice Baptist Church located at 801 University Boulevard in Silver Spring (Application #200912-14).
- 16. T-Mobile application to add antennas at the 270' level of the 25-story NRC Building located at 11555 Rockville Pike in Rockville (Application #200912-16).
- 17. T-Mobile application to add antennas at the 201' level of a 170' high office building located at 6903 Rockledge Drive in Bethesda (Application #200912-17).
- 18. T-Mobile application to replace antennas at the 181' level of a 181' high monopole located at 16801 Oakmont Avenue in Gaithersburg (Application #200912-18).

Bob Hunnicutt noted all the applications on the Consent Agenda were co-locations or minor modifications. He added that there were minor typos on the recommendation forms for items #1, 5, and 18 which he would

correct on the Record of Action forms.

**Motion:** David Niblock moved the Consent agenda items be recommended. Mary Pat Wilson seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**Action Item:** Clearwire application to attach antennas at the 109' and 117' levels on a 150' high monopole at Fire Station #33 located at 11430 Falls Road in Potomac (Application #200908-33).

Bob Hunnicutt summarized the application noting that the Tower Coordinators recommendation was conditioned on submission of a structural analysis to the Department of Permitting Services with a copy to the Tower Coordinator which stated that the attachment could be safely made.

Mary Pat Wilson noted that there was no site plan showing the location of the monopole on the property and Mr. Hunnicutt provided plans for her review.

**Motion:** Carlton Gilbert moved the application be recommended as conditioned by the Tower Coordinator. Helen Mu seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**Action Item:** T-Mobile application to replace and add additional antennas at the 129' level on a 150' high monopole at Fire Station #33 located at 11430 Falls Road in Potomac (Application #200912-13).

Bob Hunnicutt summarized the application noting that the Tower Coordinators recommendation was conditioned on submission of a structural analysis to the Department of Permitting Services with a copy to the Tower Coordinator which stated that the attachment could be safely made.

There was discussion about the address of the property. Mr. Hunnicutt noted that he would correct the Recommendation Form and the Record of Action to show the correct address for this application.

**Motion:** David Niblock moved the application be recommended as conditioned by the Tower Coordinator. Helen Mu seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**Action Item:** Clearwire application to attach antennas at the 59' and 63' levels inside a faux chimney atop the Churchill Senior Center building located at 21000 Father Hurley Blvd in Germantown (Application #200912-03).

Bob Hunnicutt summarized the application noting that he had discussed the attachment on this building with Dave Niblock and was advised that this property is under the control of a site plan review. Consequently, the Tower Coordinators recommendation was conditioned on any modifications that may be needed to the site plan to permit this attachment.

**Motion:** Carlton Gilbert moved the application be recommended as conditioned by the Tower Coordinator. Dave Niblock seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**Action Item:** T-Mobile application to add antennas at the 127' level of a PEPCO transmission line tower #637-S located at 13900 Piney Meeting House Road in Potomac (Application #200912-10).

Bob Hunnicutt summarized the application noting that the Tower Coordinators recommendation was conditioned on the equipment on the ground being screened to comply with §59-A-6.14 of the Zoning Code.

Ms. Herrera asked if the plans submitted with the application should have been corrected prior to being presented to the TFCG.

Bill OBrien remarked that PEPCO prefers not to have screening around equipment in their right-of-way for safety reasons. Mr. Hunnicutt replied that may be true but PEPCO does, in fact, permit screening and has done so at many other locations for wireless facilities in the County. He noted that screening of equipment on residentially zoned property, as is the case for this property, is a requirement for a private facility in the PEPCO right-of-way. David Niblock remarked that he had been granting permits in these cases as long as suitable screening, such as a wooden fence around the equipment, is shown on the design plans. Ms. Herrera asked the group if the application could be conditioned upon the applicant providing a wooden fence around the equipment.

**Motion:** Mary Pat Wilson the application be recommended conditioned on placement of a wooden fence around the equipment area. David Niblock seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**Action Item:** T-Mobile application to add antennas at the 40' level atop an office building located at 14301 Layhill Road in Silver Spring (Application #200912-15).

Mr. Hunnicutt summarized the application noting that the Tower Coordinators recommendation was conditioned on any modification that may be needed to the Special Exception.

**Motion:** Carlton Gilbert moved the application be recommended as conditioned by the Tower Coordinator. Helen Mu seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

## Discussion Item Design Changes for Previously Recommended Applications:

Mr. Hunnicutt summarized for the group the items highlighted for discussion on the agenda explaining that all were cases where the TFCG had approved the applications but the applicants had advised him that there would be minor changes to the designs. He found all changes were acceptable and did not substantively impact what the TFCG had approved. There were no questions.

- T-Mobile application #200907-15 for a new monopole at the Cedarburg Church at 23700 Stringtown
  Road in Clarksburg monopole site to be located where originally proposed instead of alternate location
  to mitigate impact on forest conservation area as mentioned at October meeting. T-Mobile will include
  a 2:1 forest conservation mitigation plan as part of the special exception filing which will require MNCPPC review and approval.
- T-Mobile application #200906-04 for a new monopole on the Warfield property at 25733 Woodfield Road,
   Damascus to address interests of the Historic Preservation Committee, the location for the monopole has been relocated farther from Woodfield Road to minimize the visual impact. See attached.
- Verizon Wireless application #200907-39 to collocate antennas atop the Rock Creek Terrace
   Apartments at 12630 Veirs Mill Road, Rockville the three new antennas will replace three of the
   existing twelve antennas rather than adding three.

### Discussion Item 2010 Meeting Dates

Mr. Hunnicutt noted that the 2010 meeting schedule had been provided to the members in their packets. There were no objections to the proposed schedule.

The next meeting of the TFCG is scheduled for Wednesday, January 6, 2010 at 2 p.m. in the second floor conference room #225 of the COB.